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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY



DRUG MEDI-CAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

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DRUG MEDI-CAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM (DMC-ODS)



- DMC-ODS is a robust continuum of care for Medi-Cal beneficiaries with Substance Use Disorders (SUD)
- Objective: To improve the health and treatment of Medi-Cal beneficiaries through:
 - Coordinating service delivery approaches
 - Ensuring access to SUD services
 - Increasing program oversight and integrity at the County level

SYSTEM CHANGES



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- Additional services not previously funded by DMC:
 - Withdrawal management
 - Residential Treatment Services (ASAM Level 3.1, 3.3 and 3.5)
 - Case Management
 - Recovery Services
 - Physician Consultation

SYSTEM CHANGES



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- Use of American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria to determine level of care
- Assessments conducted by a licensed practitioner
- 24-hour pre-authorization of Residential treatment required



- Contracting with Narcotic Treatment Providers (NTPs)
- Outpatient providers providing other Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- County specific rates

CHALLENGES



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- Requirement to meet service demand for increased covered services
- Increased contracting and monitoring activities
- Workforce impacts
- Financial obligations



- DMC reimbursement available for newly defined services
- Same Day billing allowed in more instances
- Continued Behavioral Health (BH) integration efforts as SUD System of Care aligning more with the Mental Health (MH) System of Care
- Increased local control and accountability



- Increased quality, monitoring, and oversight
- Improved access to services across the continuum of care
- Improved outcomes for Medi-Cal beneficiaries with a SUD
- Appropriate reimbursement rates for providers
- Increased communication and coordination of care for DMC beneficiaries



- The Implementation Plan includes:
 - Client Flow
 - Treatment Services
 - Integration efforts (with MH & Physical Health (PH))
 - Access – Network Adequacy
 - Quality Assurance activities
 - Evidence Based Practices to be provided



- Training Providers
- ASAM usage and training
- Contracting process
- Establishing MAT beyond NTPs
- Residential Authorization process
- Current and projected utilization of services by Modality



- Continuing Perinatal programs
 - Offers Child care and parenting skills
- Exploration of specific offender treatment programs
 - Developing a process for referrals with the justice system



- Plan disseminated to stakeholders for input
- Provides a general framework
- Becomes a part of the contract with DHCS
- Will need to be operationalized once approved



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QUESTIONS OR DISCUSSION